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Re NYlet to Director, dated 3/14/62.

MICHAEL J. P. MALONE, Vice-President, Czarnikow-Rionda Company, 106 Wall Street, NYC, who is also employed by the King Ranch of Kingsville, Texas, advised on 3/20/62, that he had accompanied ROBERT KLEBERG of the King Ranch to Washington, DC, on 3/15/62, for KLEBERG's meeting with Vice-President LYNDON B. JOHNSON at 4:00 p.m. on that date.

MALONE advised that he did not accompany KLEBERG to the meeting with Vice-President JOHNSON, but KLEBERG informed him that they discussed the Cuban problem and what course of action the US was going to follow in this matter. KLEBERG, according to MALONE, was advised by Vice-President JOHNSON, that President JOHN F. KENNEDY has no contemplated plans at the present time for any large scale movement against Cuba, and there are no plans for the use of US troops in Cuba.

MALONE advised that KLEBERG told him that Vice-President JOHNSON stated that President KENNEDY was much concerned about the world situation, and is devoting most of his time to the problems relative to Berlin, Laos and South Vietnam.

MALONE advised that KLEBERG stated that from his conversation with Vice-President JOHNSON, it was clear to him that the present administration has no intention of using US military force in the Cuban

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problem, and that the Cuban problem has taken 4th place in the order of importance as far as President KENNEDY is concerned.

MALONE further advised on March 20, 1962, that while in Washington, DC, he had made arrangements to contact [Mr. HERBERT, who was described as the assistant to Colonel KING of the CIA.] (S)(U) MALONE stated that in conversation with [HERBERT,] the question of United States (S)(U) action in Cuba was discussed, and [HERBERT] stated that (S)(U) he did not agree with the opinion expressed by Vice-President LYNDON B. JOHNSON. [HERBERT] told (S)(U) MALONE that he and his associates should get together with Senators in Washington who are close to perfect agreement with the "New Frontier" such as Senator HUBERT HUMPHREY of Minnesota, and bring pressure to bear on them since these Senators exert a certain degree of influence over the President.

MALONE stated on 3/20/62 that he also had a meeting on 3/15/62 with his CIA contact, [CHARLES MAECHIN.] (S) MALONE stated that [MAECHIN] gave him the definite (S) impression that he thought that President KENNEDY and the US would at some time make a move in Cuba. (S) [MAECHIN] stated that the CIA continues to operate but not with the complete authority with which they would like to carry out their plans. [MAECHIN] suggested (S) to MALONE that MALONE and his associates attempt to see Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY and see if some pressure could not be brought to bear on the Cuban matter from Attorney General KENNEDY.

MALONE advised that from his conversations with CIA on 3/15/62, and from the conversation of ROBERT KLEBERG with Vice-President JOHNSON, he definitely was confused as to whether or not the US had any definite plans for participation in an attempt to overthrow the present Cuban regime. MALONE stated that from conversations with other individuals in Washington, he got the impression that the Cuban Revolutionary Council was falling apart, and that Dr. JOSE MIRO CARDONA had very little influence over the Cuban exiles in the Miami area.

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